



Robert L. Boudreau

January 24, 1935 - July 11, 2021

Robert L. Boudreau, 86, of South Hadley, passed away peacefully on Sunday, July 11, 2021. Born in Holyoke on January 24, 1935, son of the late Eugene and Elfrieda (Haller) Boudreau, he was a 1952 graduate of Holyoke Trade High School with a machinist certification. In October 1960, he married Gloria J. Mellberg, with whom he raised four children. A US Army veteran, Robert served from 1957 to 1959, stationed in the Philippines and earning a rank of Specialist 4, and in the Army reserves from 1959 to 1963. Later he worked as a machinist and was a partner at Gatehouse Machine and Welding in Holyoke until 1978, when he retired to care for his family. An avid model railroader since childhood, he launched Pioneer Valley Models (PVM) after retirement, designing and producing buildings, backdrops, signals, and scenery for model railroads. Many of his designs were inspired by the city of Holyoke where he grew up. Robert

and Gloria traversed the United States by train to represent PVM at model railroad conventions across the nation. Robert is predeceased by his beloved wife of sixty years, Gloria (Mellberg) Boudreau, and his son, Richard D. Boudreau. He is survived by his loving children, Carol Bogdanovich and husband Jan of Bellingham, David Boudreau of Northampton, and Diane Boudreau of Tempe, AZ; as well as three grandchildren and one great-grandchild. His family lovingly remembers him for his delicious home-grown tomatoes, four-wheeling adventures in his '63 Jeep Wagon, and intricately crafted model railroad displays. Committal services with Military Honors will be

held Friday at 9AM at the MA Veterans' Cemetery, Agawam. Memorial contributions may be made to WestMass Elder Care, 4 Valley Mill Road, Holyoke, MA 01040. kozikowskifuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Massachusetts Veterans' Memorial Cemetery

1390 Main St.
Agawam, MA 01001

Previous Events

Service

JUL 16. 9:00 AM (ET)

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